



# MIAMI'S ETHIOPIAN CLOWNS

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March 18, 1941.

Mr. Abe Manley  
55 Somerset St.  
Newark, N. J.

### Victories Scored

-- over --

Chicago Mills  
House of Davids  
St. Louis Stars  
Cleveland Bears  
Havana Cuban Stars  
Cincinnati Buckeyes  
Kansas City Monarchs  
Billings (Mont.) B. B. C.  
Indianapolis Crawfords  
Kewanee (Ill.) Parkers  
Victoria (B. C.) Canada  
Hamilton (Ont.) Canada  
Lincoln (Neb.) Links  
Pueblo (Colo.) Peppers  
Chicago American Giants  
Davenport (Ia.) Maroons  
Atlanta (Ga.) All Stars  
Cheyenne (Wyo.) Indians  
East Orange (N. J.) A. A.  
Tampa (Fla.) Pepsi Coles  
Lead-Deadwood (S.D.) "9"  
Brooklyn (N. Y.) Bushwicks  
Holland (Mich.) Dutchmen  
Springfield (N. Y.) Greys  
Satchel Paige All Stars  
Mankato (Minn.) Beverages  
St. Louis (Mo.) Falstaffs  
Pittsburgh Homestead Grays  
Walla Walla (Wash.) Jaycees  
Golden (Colo.) Coors Brewers  
Brooklyn (N. Y.) Royal Giants  
E. St. Louis (Ill.) Blue Jays  
Appleton (Wis.) Papermakers  
Charlotte (N. C.) Black Hornets  
and over 100 others

Dear Mr. Manley:

In an effort to be of assistance to Brady Johnson, who is acting as business manager for the N. Y. Mohawk Giants of the Eastern NY State (white) Semi-Pro League, have decided to take over this club's bookings in the south ...and Brady advised me to contact you and continue with any proposed arrangements already made, particularly in reference to playing your club at Daytona Beach on Easter Sunday, April 13, if you so decide, which date they still have open at this writing. If you can use the Mohawks advise which date, terms and any other particulars?

We are using the Mohawks to open the Clowns' season at Miami on Apr. 6 & 7...and on Apr. 13, have the Kansas City Monarchs coming in to play us...also handling the Monarchs on April 10-11-12.

At Daytona do you play at the white league park or at the colored park? Does Johnny Slack handle your games at that city? Slack did not do a very good promoting job when we played there last fall, as our handbills and showcards were not well distributed or posted...yet the Clowns made quite an impression there...and believe you'd draw tremendously with the Ethipps if you decided to bring them in and used our advertising accessories to advantage.

We could possibly use your club at Miami on Sun. Apr. 20, if you cared to come in? I don't know how your feelings are toward the Clowns, after the ruling our "friend" Posey had put through at the league meeting, which has been interpreted to me in many forms...and have written to Wilson and Martin to clear up the situation...with no reply as yet...altho the Monarchs will play us...and being so close to one another, see no reason why we can't get to know one another better, which I am sure will lead to a profitable relationship and enable both clubs to cooperate with one another on various matters...but don't want you to do anything that will jeopardize your affiliation with the Nat'l Negro League. Let me hear from you?

Sincerely yours, *Syd Pollock*

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